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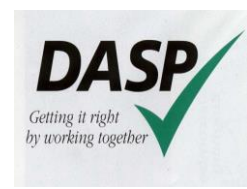
Dear Parents

We are so grateful and impressed by your tremendous effort with home learning last term and we are so looking forward to hopefully a relatively normal summer term. We have been so impressed with how well the children have settled back into school. Here are a few things we would like to share with you about how we will be running our classroom this year.

**House Points and Classroom rules**

If your child tries their best in a particular area e.g. writing, maths or is observed keeping our ‘Class Rules’ they could win a house point. Our class rules are “Try your best”, “Listen to your teacher and your friends”, “Be polite and respectful” “Remember to put your hand up”. Extra house points are awarded for children who have read at home or have brought in work they have undertaken themselves at home. Each house point given is worth a marble which gets counted up and contributed towards the whole school score. When a house has reached a certain amount of points, they are rewarded with things like extra playtime. We do also have stickers that we give out at our discretion, if your child comes home with one, ask them what it's for!

Cherry	Copper Beech	Sycamore	Willow
			
Jacob	Harrison	Wilfred	Lars
Florence	Harry	Connor	Minnie
Mabli	Archie	Cameron	Amelia
William	Sophie	Libby	Mackenzie
Katie	Kit	Ella	Grace
Eloise	Daniel	Paige	



### Home Reading

All the children should have a reading book and record in their book bags. **PLEASE CAN YOU MAKE SURE IT COMES TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY.** We are so pleased that so many of you are in the habit of reading regularly at home as it makes a huge difference to your child's confidence and progress in reading. Please can you set a goal to hear your child read at home at least four times a week. Books will be changed when your child can confidently read (not recite) the words and talk about the story and characters. **Please remember that re-reading a book is one of the most effective ways to recognise common words and build a good sight vocabulary, particularly in early reading.**

### Spellings and Homework KS1

Spellings and homework will be given out every Friday to Year 1. Year 1 Spellings will be assigned via spelling shed and then tested in their red books on Friday morning. Homework for both Year 1 and 2 will be assigned by Google Classroom, unless it is sewing homework for our puppets topic this term, in which we will send home what you need. Please could it be completed and returned by Wednesday so we have time to mark it and set the new homework! Year 2 spellings will continue to be assigned by Mrs Collett on a Monday and tested with Mrs Mowlam on a Friday.

We do not set spellings or homework for Reception but if you would like to your child could practice spelling the digraphs from memory and their tricky words which are on the bottom of their digraph mat.

### Show and Tell

We will be starting Show and Tell back up on a Friday afternoon, with one house group allocated per Friday (please see timetable below for your child's date. We will try to email out a reminder each week. Please can you use Tapestry or the class email address to send in photos for Show and Tell, instead of sending objects into school. This is a really good opportunity for your child to develop their speaking and listening skills. It might help to discuss with your child what they want to tell the class and to practise speaking clearly. Each child will be allocated up to two minutes and be allowed to choose two children to ask a question about their object.



Show and Tell Schedule

Term 1	
Friday 30th April	Cherry
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Copper Beech
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Sycamore
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Willow
Friday 28 <sup>st</sup> May	Cherry
Half Term	
Friday 11th June	Copper Beech
Friday 18th June	Sycamore
Friday 25th June	Willow
Friday 2nd <sup>th</sup> July	Cherry
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Copper Beech
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Sycamore

**Spare clothes and suncream**

Just a reminder that we do have spare school uniform and underwear in school but some children feel uncomfortable about this and prefer to wear their own. If your child is still prone to the occasional accident, it sometimes helps to keep a spare pair of underwear in their book bag.

As the weather continues to get warmer please apply suncream to your child before school. If they need to reapply during the day please make sure the suncream is named and in your child's book bag. Please also make sure your child has a named sunhat and a water bottle.

For the girls wearing summer dresses this term, it might be a good idea getting them some lycra shorts to wear underneath their dresses. We are seeing lots of flashes of underwear as they do their wonderful spins and tricks on the trim trail at playtimes!



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### Topic Webs

An overview of what the children shall be learning this term in each subject is going home today. This is called a Topic Web and includes all our topics and the main learning goals that will be covered over the Summer term so that you can discuss these with your child as the term rolls on.

Thank you for your support and please remember that if you have any concerns or questions, please either email or call Mrs White or Mrs Chaffey in the office or email us at [butterflyclass@cheselbourne.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:butterflyclass@cheselbourne.dorset.sch.uk).

Kind regards

Mrs Mowlam & Mrs Price

